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THE SABBATH.

Our Day of Rest 'O' Seven is a Matter of Necessity.

No religious obligation is more familiar than the sacred observance of the Sabbath. It is always prominent in enumerations of duties owed by man to God. To a large extent it is a test of the godliness of a person. Religion and morality are equally involved in many of the commandments of God—such as those forbidding murder, unchastity, theft and lying. Man's innate sense of the right and honorableness of the Sabbath impels him to conform to such requirements as these. The ungodly man feels the obligation to treat his fellowman with honesty, justice and kindness, to speak the truth and be chaste. Readiness of conformity to these requirements can assist along with absence of recognition of obligation to God.

But the sacred observance of the Sabbath is not involved in the general principles of the right and good governing men in their relations with each other. It is a matter of simply between man and God. One can ignore the sacred obligations of the Sabbath and not be affected thereby in his own self-respect and in that of others. He can violate this command and yet stand as honorable and virtuous. Attitude towards the Sabbath is therefore a sharp test of godliness, of recognition of obligation to God. For this reason the sacred observance of the Sabbath is offensive to the world, excites the antagonism of the natural heart of man. It is a touchstone, showing his real standing towards God.

While it is true that the sacred observance of the day is, in a peculiar sense, an obligation to God, there is another view of it, which is too much overlooked. It is viewed too exclusively as affecting our obligations to the will of God, and, as such crossing our interests at many points.

The Savior, in clarifying the atmosphere with which the ministrations of man should be conducted, declared "The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath." According to this, the institution is for man's benefit, not for God's sake. It is "the Lord's day," and yet more truly it is man's day. In the deepest sense it is not true that God gives us six days for our own use and profit, reserving the seventh for himself. All the seven days are for our use and profit, most especially the Sabbath. It is man's day above all others.

The object of this article is to call attention to the fact that the Sabbath, with its sacred appointments is a necessity to man. It is necessary to his welfare in all spheres of his nature—physical, mental, moral and spiritual.

It would be both interesting and profitable to consider man in each of these spheres of his being, and see the necessity of the Sabbath to him in each of them, but the limit set to the length of this series of articles will not admit of it.

The necessity of the Sabbath as a day of rest is generally recognized. Man is a laboring race. Each one has, or ought to have work to do. God said to him, at the beginning of the course as a sinner, "In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread." Neither the body nor the mind can bear continuous labor. Periodic seasons of rest are required. This need is partially met in God's gracious provision of the night. Eight hours of each twenty-four is required by the average person for sleep. But the nightly supply of rest is not sufficient. A more protracted period is required. Six consecutive days of labor is as much as man can bear. He needs to spend the seventh in rest.

But for the rest enforced by the Sabbath an almost physical breakdown would prevail. Physical and mental wrecks would block the progress of human affairs. It is not only the actual rest, which benefits, but also the anticipation of it, during the days of labor.

There are many incidental benefits which are incidentally gained, such as the promotion of refinement and domestic welfare. The simple

matter of "Sunday clothes" exerts an immense influence in saving the race from brutal coarseness and degradation. It affords to families the opportunity for intercourse which is essential to well-being.

Viewed as a period of rest from labor the Sabbath is a necessity. It has been aptly called "Heaven's antidote for the curse of labor."

This benefit is recognized and appreciated by many who do not appreciate its highest necessity as touching man's moral and spiritual interests.

It is necessary for these in a pre-eminent degree. We could better dispense with a Sabbath for the rest and recuperation of the body and mind than with a Sabbath for the promotion of our moral and spiritual welfare.

The approach and dawn of the Sabbath calls upon man to turn his attention to things that are high—to God and our relations to him, his requirements of us, and our eternal destinies. Man is summoned by it, to a large degree forced by it, to think of God, to meet together for his worship, and to receive instruction from his word. The Sabbath is well called the very cradle of religion. Without it, all interest in religious things would be lost. The very knowledge of God would fade from the minds of men.

It is absolutely essential to man's moral and religious welfare. Its benefits are commensurate with the heights and depths of man's nature. It follows that those who violate its sacred character, discredit its obligations are enemies to mankind—to the best interests of their country, communities and families. All high interests demand that each one keep the Sabbath as God has appointed it to be kept, to use its influence for its proper observance, to resist every encroachment upon it as God's day for man's special benefit.

S. H. HAY.

[In next week's paper, there will be an article from the pen of Rev. W. B. Arrowood, on the "Proper Observance of the Sabbath."]

Nervous Dyspepsia Cured by Rydalen's Stomach Tablets.

Mr. R. E. Jones, buyer for Park and Bridget, whose large department stores are located at 9th and Penn. ave., Washington, D. C., as follows: Last February, 1904, year, while in New York on business for my house, I caught a severe cold, which laid me up for several weeks and left me weak and nervous. I had little or no appetite, and my digestion was very poor. My physicians could not get at the bottom of my trouble, as my digestion seemed so much impaired. I decided to try Rydalen's Stomach Tablets, being assured by a friend, who was cured of dyspepsia medicine. After using them for a few days, I began to realize that I was getting better. I gave up the doctor's prescription and have gained 20 pounds while using a box of these tablets. I never felt better in my life, and accorded Rydalen's Stomach Tablets with having cured me of my trouble. While here he heartily, to suffer from nervous indigestion and general run-down conditions of the system. T. S. Leitner.

Items from Rock Hill Herald.

Miss Helen Brice, of Blackstock, is visiting the Misses Brice in Oakland.

Miss Eunice McConnell, of Yorkville, passed through the city on Tuesday morning. While here he visited a friend, that the automobile accident reported from St. Louis, in which he and Senator Bailey of Texas, are said to have been thrown out when the collision with the street car occurred, the senator receiving a sprained ankle, was not true, and that it was manufactured out of the whole cloth.

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TRIP TO WILMINGTON.

An Interesting Account of the Trip—Points of Interest Visited—Experiences on Old Ocean.

On last Tuesday, July 12th, an excursion was gotten up by Maj. J. W. Reed; and as I was fortunate enough to be one of the party who went on that excursion, I shall endeavor to give an account of our much enjoyed trip.

We left Chester at 6:30 on Tuesday morning. Not a very large crowd, but just enough to make it comfortable for all parties, with Maj. J. W. Reed and our polite conductor, who knows so well how to show polite attention to ladies. All started off from the S. A. L. depot at Chester in high spirits. About to "clock" at high speed, to feel that something like a lunch would not come amiss, so all who had a lunch box, or basket, soon began to pass the eatables around and to hunt up all beaches and grassy meadows to partake of the good things. After having fully eaten to our hearts' content, the baskets were closed and put aside for another time. Now all were ready to enjoy everything that came in sight.

Soon a very tempting sight came into view, a 20 acre watermelon patch, and I think some of the gentlemen, I among the rest, would have liked to have called out: "Mr. Captain, stop the train; but alas, too soon it was out of sight. We were also pleased with the sight of the fine crops along the line of our route. As fine corn and cotton, I haven't seen in years. Only one little drawback on our trip, something about the engine after leaving Hamlet, which detained us for about an hour. Then we made up for lost time, and reached Wilmington at 2:30 o'clock, took a street car and went to Barnitz' hotel, where we found comfortable rooms awaiting us. After refreshing our selves, we took dinner.

After dinner we all started for the street car, which was to take us to Wrightsville Beach. The rain was pouring in torrents, but all the same the ladies gathered up their skirts and walked through it all, nearly a block, to catch the car. All kept in a good humor, consoling themselves with the thought of what they were to see at the end of the route. Of course the sight of the great Atlantic ocean was attractive to any of us, but especially to those who had never seen the ocean before. The party went to the pavilion where we got a fine view of the incoming tide. Quite a number of people were in surf bathing, which was an amusing sight to lookers-on. We remained at Wrightsville Beach nearly 2 hours, returning to Wilmington about 8 o'clock.

After supper we decided to take in the city. We found the town windows quite attractive. The ladies found the ten cents' store especially attractive.

The party took the steamer Wilmington at 7 o'clock a. m. Wednesday morning. The steamer Wilmington is a fine vessel. We all felt that we could safely risk going on the trip in so handsome and strong a looking steamer. After becoming acquainted with Captain John W. Harper, who has been running boats up and down the river for 20 years between Wilmington and Southampton, we found in him a most obliging and pleasant gentleman. All were delighted with the interior of the boat. Soon the bell rang out a cheerful ring, and the boat horn blew a deep sound, then we began to move off over Cape Fear river. A great many of the ladies and gentlemen went to the higher deck to catch a glimpse of the city of Wilmington. Then our attention was drawn to the vessels that were passing us on the river. The first point of interest on the east side was the wharf of the New Hanover Transit Company, from which there is a short railroad connection of about two miles to the favorite sea resort, "Carolina Beach." There we all landed. Hundreds of visitors were there, and surf bathing seemed to be the favorite amusement. Our party then went to the hotel, where

they were served with a nice lunch in the most appetizing manner.

We then returned to the car, and were safely landed back on board of the Wilmington, which was there to carry us out to sea. We saw Fort Fisher, the last Confederate fort to surrender during the civil war, under command of Col. William Lamb. The old fort is now in such a dilapidated state that we scarcely would think of its ever having any history connected with it. Still we could not help looking at the old place with interest. Then we saw "Fort Caswell," now used by the United States as headquarters for troops. Some very handsome buildings are there. We did not remain very long on the ocean, as some preferred "Terra Firma." We could not sail as rapidly in returning to the city, as the tide was against us.

I think we all enjoyed the trip. I must say I never expect to take so nice an outing for so small expense. We all thank Maj. Reed and Mr. Goff for getting up this excursion, for we felt we got our money's worth double. I am sure all our party will agree with me that it was one of the most agreeable trips of our experience. All the gentlemen, I among the rest, would have liked to have called out: "Mr. Captain, stop the train; but alas, too soon it was out of sight. We were also pleased with the sight of the fine crops along the line of our route. As fine corn and cotton, I haven't seen in years. Only one little drawback on our trip, something about the engine after leaving Hamlet, which detained us for about an hour. Then we made up for lost time, and reached Wilmington at 2:30 o'clock, took a street car and went to Barnitz' hotel, where we found comfortable rooms awaiting us. After refreshing our selves, we took dinner.

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Things of Interest at Land.

LANDO, July 11, 1904. Mrs. Campbell, wife of D. Campbell, died Friday night, aged about 50 years. She was a devoted member of the A. R. P. church. There were seven children born to her, all of whom with a devoted husband and father survive him. Mrs. Campbell had the esteem and confidence of all who knew her. She was a good mother and loving wife, and upon her death the community has lost one of its best women, and the children their best friend. The burial took place in Harmony graveyard, services being conducted at the church by Rev. E. A. Wilks.

The eight months old daughter of Mrs. Gough died Sunday, the 10th inst., with fever.

B. D. Heath, of Charlotte, was down last Saturday looking after his interests here.

Mr. Abm. Henderson, the efficient second hand in the card room of Will No. 1, is back and is out again.

Land's was visited with quite a heavy rain and high wind yesterday, no damage being done, however.

We had the pleasure a few days ago of visiting the pleasant home of our superintendent of Sabbath school, Mr. Gross, a few miles from Lando on the Chester road. He has a nice clean crop, also fine water melons and cantelopes, which we enjoyed along with a farmers' dinner, such as farmers' wives can prepare.

Rev. W. P. Meadors, presiding elder of this district, held quarterly conference here the 9th and 10th of this month, and preached an able sermon on Sunday.

Mr. Ward Heath has the finest cotton we have seen, the long staple variety. He says he has gathered 4 bales from the 3 acres. We think he will gather as much this year. He also has some fine corn. All crops are looking fine down this way.

Yours truly,
J. J. WARD.

LAND IRRIGATION.

Many Different Methods of Preparation Described in Department Bulletin.

The United States department of agriculture is issuing bulletin 145, of the office of experiment stations, describing methods of preparing land for irrigation and applying water to crops in different sections of the arid region of the United States. In this bulletin the methods of getting rid of sagebrush, smoothing the ground, building laterals, and distributing water over fields as developed by the experience of farmers in irrigated districts, are brought together and described. The tools and implements used are illustrated, and the cost of the work, based upon actual examples, is different states is given. The purpose is to afford beginners a reliable guide both as to the cost of bringing wild land under cultivation and methods best suited to different soils, climates and crops. The facts included in this bulletin have been gathered by irrigation investigations in co-operation with state experiment stations and state engineers.

The fact, not well understood, is brought out that the cost of preparing land for irrigation is in many instances greater than the cost of building canals and reservoirs. Detailed figures of the cost of checking land show that it varies in certain districts in California from \$1.50 to \$18.00 an acre. This is more than twice the cost of the canal systems in the San Joaquin valley, California, which is given in the report of the census bureau for 1902 as \$4.92 for an irrigated acre. Where the preparing of land is contracted for, the cost of checking varies from \$5.00 to \$30.00 an acre. The price of preparing land for flooding is much less, but is \$5 an acre in Wyoming. The need of a better understanding of this particular branch of irrigation practice is becoming more and more important. Reservoirs and canals are but means to accomplish a purpose. That purpose is to increase the productivity of the soil. "The value of the soil or reservoir depends upon the acreage of land which it will serve and the increase the value of the products which the use of water will bring about. The time is coming when the most important problems connected with irrigation will be the best means of applying water, and not, as at present, those of canal and reservoir building.

About 30 different methods of applying water are now in use. This does not mean that there are 30 distinct systems, but includes the different ways of preparing land by checking, compartments, deep and shallow furrows, flooding, sprinkling and subirrigation. This bulletin gives some of the results of a series of tests of different methods of applying water and the difference in loss of water by evaporation in deep and shallow furrows and in flooding.

About one and one-half times as much water was needed to irrigate an acre of land by flooding as was required in furrows 12 inches deep.

About one and one-third times as much water was needed to irrigate in furrows 12 inches deep. A saving of one-third of the water by the adoption of a better system would mean not only increased profits to farmers, but a large increase in the acreage which could be irrigated from canals or reservoirs.—Green-ville News.

Brutally Tortured.

A case came to light that for persistent and unmerciful torture has perhaps never been equalled. Joe Golobick, of Colusa, Calif., writes: "For 15 years I endured insufferable pain from Rheumatism and nothing relieved me, though I tried everything. I was cured by Electric Bitters and it's the greatest medicine on earth for that trouble. A few bottles of it completely cured me. I am now able to do good for Liver and Kidney troubles and general debility. Only 50c. Satisfaction guaranteed by the Woods Drug Co. and Johnston Drug Store."

When a friend tells you of his wrongs he wants sympathy and not an argument.

General News Items.

Paul Kruger, the ex-president of the Transvaal republic, died in Clarens, Switzerland, last Thursday from pneumonia and heart weakness. He was in his 80th year. He had been ill for some time, but the seriousness of his condition was kept secret. He expressed the desire on several occasions to be buried by the side of his wife in his own country. Unless the British government offers objections, his body will be removed to South Africa in compliance with his desire. Mr. Kruger first went to Holland, after the war, then to France, and finally to Switzerland, where he died, having been there only about one month.

Dr. Samuel Lander, for 31 years the beloved president of Williams town Female college, died in Wilmington on Thursday, the 14th. He was born and reared at Lincoln, N. C., was educated at Lincoln academy and Randolph Macon college, Virginia. He has been actively engaged in educational work, preaching part of the time in connection with teaching, ever since his graduation, both in North Carolina and this state, and in all his efforts he was diligent and most successful. Trinity college, North Carolina conferred the degree of doctor of divinity upon him in 1878. He was 71 years old at the time of his death.

Upon the recommendation of the county designation of York county, Governor Heyward has appointed Mr. W. B. Williams, Jr., county auditor, in the place of his father, who died last week.

T. J. Davenport shot through the right breast and it is reported, fatally wounded P. C. Smith at Knard's, on the line between Newberry and Lurans counties. A dispute arose about the line between their respective farms, and resulted in the shooting. Both are said to be prominent citizens.

The South Carolina Press association, which met last week at White Stone Springs, adjourned Friday morning, having held a most successful meeting. Cordial invitations were extended the association to meet next year at Union and White Stone, the latter being again selected as the meeting place. The following officers were elected by acclamation: E. H. Aull, president; Ed. H. DeCamp, first vice president; N. Christensen, second vice president; C. C. Langston, secretary; A. Kohn, treasurer; Rev. W. P. Jacobs, chaplain; J. E. Norment, J. M. Knight and J. W. Rydalen, members of the executive committee.

Dr. C. Aphonso Smith, professor of English in the University of North Carolina, has declined to accept the presidency of the university of Tennessee, to which position he was recently called.

Senator Tillman passed through Rock Hill yesterday and stated that there was no truth in the story that he and Senator Bailey had been thrown from an automobile in St. Louis, that he was not in St. Louis at the time the incident occurred.—Yorkville Enquirer.

Prof. P. C. Hinderst 19th has been preaching the gospel of scientific crop planting and growing, and as a result he says that the crop in that state alone will be increased by about 7,000,000 bushels.

The Good Old Summer Time!

In the good old summer time, when bicyclists throng the thoroughfares, and farm animals and householders are all kept busy, accidents to man and beast are of frequent occurrence. Elliott's Emulsified Oil Liniment is the most serviceable accident and emergency liniment in use. It relieves quickly and heals speedily cuts, contusions, bruises, sprains, etc. You get one bottle for 25c, and you get your money back if not satisfied. T. S. Leitner.

The universal recognition extended to the statesmanlike qualities of such men as John Sharp Williams, Senator Joseph W. Bailey makes it sufficiently evident that the south is still producing presidential timber, though unable to market it.—Charlotte Observer.

Chickens wanted at Magdalen hospital.

THE BLUE BACK.

Webster's Masterpiece Still in Popular Demand in Country Schools.

It may strike some persons as a rather remarkable fact that the Webster spelling book, with its familiar blue cover, has sold up to date about seventy millions of copies. The spelling book is no more in vogue in this section, where we have been over all of the many fads of modern pedagogy along with some that are vital and measurably permanent. The spelling book no longer has a place in the curriculum it once had. There are no more spelling bees, no more spelling down in the class. In its place children write out laboriously the words selected from their lesson. Whether they spell better than this generation we do not know, but if our own experience is of any value they do not.

Is there a man or woman of forty in the country who does not remember the thrill which followed in turning over the last page of monosyllables, ending, we think, with "Ax." And beginning the new entry into learning with the magic word "Baker." That, indeed, was an event in millions of lives, and though we must admit that teachers then had no conception of the relation between the infinite "paraphrase" and its collateral "concept," they produced a race of young men and women who could spell and cipher and read. We do not claim that it was all of education to learn these three things. We do not deny that the modern curricula have many more and perhaps more advantageous items than the older generation was favored with. We do not think that there is a lack of interest in orthography which ought not to exist in these days of typewriting machines. Many a man has escaped censure by writing obscurely with his pen, but with the machines, which are destined to do away with penmanship, there is no recourse except to practice and the old spelling book.

So far there have been issued over 70,000,000 of the Webster spelling book, and its popularity is still on the increase. It is true that most of the circulation is in the south, where they are glad to get anything that is cheap and good, but the fact that the elemental in education survives has an instructive value. Nash Webster never made a cent, we are told, on his dictionary, but his family have made fortunes on the spelling book. That ought to give some food for thought to the philosophers who think that education began about ten years ago.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Are Your Lungs Weak?

Does the cough, left by the grippé—or the cold contracted during the winter, still hang on? Rydalen's Bitter will cure it, and heal your weak lungs. It kills the germs that cause chronic throat and lung disease and helps nature restore the weakened organs to health. Trial size 25c. Family size 50c. T. S. Leitner.

Fayssoux Won Suit in Rock Hill.

Will Fayssoux was in town Sunday. He has settled the runaway trouble he had in Rock Hill last week in the magistrate's court. He offered to pay the liverman \$25 for damages and use of the team but the liverman wanted \$100 and took the matter before the magistrate. The magistrate's jury found no damages and the liverman paid the costs. The team had been in the habit of running away nearly every time it was hitched up. Fayssoux at once brought suit against the liverman for detaining him in Rock Hill and making him lose an engagement at Chester. The liverman was bound over under a \$500 bond and the trial will come on for judgment. The merchant was paid for his sewing and had no trouble.—Gastonia News.

Working Night and Day.

The busiest and lightest night thing that ever was made in Dr. King's New Life Pills. These pills change weakness into energy, listlessness into energy, brain-fog into mental power. They are wonderful in building up the health. Only 25c per box. Sold by Woods Drug Co. and Johnston Drug Store.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. J. R. Dye spent Saturday at Carlisle.

Mr. John D. Meador, of Mobile, Ala., is visiting friends in Chester.

Miss Mary Lindsay went to Sumter Saturday to visit relatives.

Mrs. W. B. Cox is visiting relatives at Fort Lawn.

Mr. Robert Sims spent Saturday night very pleasantly in Laurens.

Little Miss Doris Adams went to Columbia Saturday to spend a week with friends.

Misses Laura and Maggie Patey spent Saturday and Sabbath at Whitmore.

Miss Hattie Allen went to Smiths Turnout Saturday to spend a few days.

Mr. Butler Woods left yesterday morning for Glenn's Springs to spend a few weeks.

Miss Edna Whiteside is visiting relatives in the Hallsville neighborhood.

Mrs. W. J. W. Cornwell went to Charlotte yesterday to spend a day or two with relatives.

Dr. M. B. Heyman returned to New York Sabbath afternoon, after a two days' visit at home.

Mr. Haze Willis is handicapping in Chester for the Chester Ice company.

A very interesting account of the Wilmington trip will be found on the first page of this issue.

Mr. Hugh Micallef has returned from his visit to Spartanburg and Glenn's Springs.

Mrs. C. Warren and Miss Anna returned Saturday from a week's visit to friends in Union and Carlisle.

Miss Eva Hall went to Inman, Spartanburg county, Saturday, where she will teach a two months' summer school.

Miss Daisy Brown, who has been spending some time in the city, went to her home near Banks Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Lewis Austin went to Bascomville yesterday morning to visit her sister, Mrs. Sam Stewart and expects to return today.

Misses Hannah and Rosa Heyman left for Harris Lillie Springs yesterday morning to spend two weeks.

Mrs. Sam Wright, of Hallsville, is spending awhile with her daughter-in-law, Mrs. B. E. Wright while Mr. Wright is in Charleston.

Mr. Victor Blake, telegraph operator at Hoffman, N. C., is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Blake.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Childs and son, Charles, returned Saturday afternoon from a pleasant stay of several days at Lanoli.

Prof. E. Paul Allen, principal of Princeton High school in Laurens county, spent Friday night in Chester on his way to Rock Hill.

Miss Amanda Howze and Miss Mamie Gladden returned yesterday morning from a few days' visit to relatives near Mt. Prospect.

Messrs. Will Cureton and Will Shurley, of Fort Lawn, spent Saturday night in the city and report fine crops in that section.

Mrs. E. A. Holler and children, of Scotia Hampton county, are at Cornwell visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. W. Cornwell.

Miss Mary Hicklin, of Edgemore, left Saturday morning for a two weeks' visit to Miss Belle Peoples in Mecklenburg county, N. C.

Miss Mary Hicklin has been re-elected teacher of the Lando school for the approaching term. She has had charge of this school for the two years past.

Misses Daisy and Lottie Belle Simmlin, who have been visiting Misses Maggie and Belle Simmlin, returned to Yorkville yesterday.

Mr. Clarence Cross is at home on a two weeks' vacation from Tampa, Fla. He is a bookkeeper for the Pan American Tobacco company.

L. L. I. - All members of Company I are hereby ordered to assemble in the armory at 8:30 o'clock p. m. R. G. MILLS, Captain.

Miss Blanche Morris, of Bennettsville, who has been visiting Miss Mary Owen, left for Union yesterday morning to spend a while with friends.

Those going on the excursion to Richmond will leave on the regular 7:17 Seaboard passenger this afternoon. They will connect with the regular excursion train at Monroe.

Mrs. E. M. Wade and little son, of Cliffside, N. C., went home Saturday after spending several days with her mother, Mrs. M. J. Mangum.

Mrs. Willie K. Douglas, lady principal of Dux West female college, passed through Chester Saturday afternoon on her way to Richmond.

Miss Nannie Simpson was in the city Saturday on her way to Lowryville to spend some time with her brother and sister, Mr. John Simpson and Mrs. McCluney.

Mr. Dupree Anderson went to Rock Hill Saturday evening to see his brother, Mr. Fraser Anderson, who is quite ill with typhoid fever at the hospital there.

Rev. J. J. Brown, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Fort Lawn, passed through Saturday morning on his way to Six Mile Creek church near Fort Mill where he was to preach on Sabbath.

Little Miss Frank Hoover, of Charlotte, who has been spending a few weeks with her aunts, Mrs. Isaac and Mrs. Gibson, went home yesterday morning. Little Miss Walter Isaac accompanied her.

Her friends are glad to see Miss Fannie Withers able to be on the streets again. She still employs one crutch. It will be remembered that she was injured some time ago in a runaway at Darlington.

Miss Bessie McCown, in company with little Miss Hattie Varborough, returned to Fort Law Saturday, near which place she was to open a two months' school this morning.

Misses Eliza Gary and Ione Smith, of Abbeville, and Miss Lottie Wyse, of Columbia, passed through Saturday morning on their way home from a house party at Judge Ira B. Jones' in Lancaster.

Mrs. J. H. M. Beattie, of Clemson college, is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. McCadden. Mr. Beattie came over Friday morning and returned yesterday morning.

A negro house with contents on Mr. A. H. Gregory's place, 5 miles west of town, was destroyed by fire of incendiary origin about two weeks ago. The house was worth \$7500. There was no insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. Key Mobley left this morning for their home in Sumter, after spending awhile with Mrs. Mobley's mother, Mrs. S. E. Smith at Baton Rouge. They were accompanied home by Miss Lou Smith.

Mr. Tom Douglas, the efficient clerk in the post office, left over the Seaboard Saturday afternoon for a visit to Richmond and Washington. He expects to be away about a week.

Messrs. Robert Frizer and Reuben Crawford left this morning for St. Louis to visit the world's fair. They will be away probably until August 1st. They are thinking of stopping over to see the Mammoth cave before they return.

Mrs. M. M. Stewart and son Henry and Miss Louise Olier went to Newberry Saturday to spend a few weeks with Mrs. Stewart's daughter, Mrs. F. M. Boyd. Mr. John Stewart accompanied them as far as Columbia.

Mrs. J. O. Hardin, of Richburg, was in the city a short time yesterday morning on her way home from a week's visit to her sister, Mrs. W. S. Brown, of Rock Hill, who was so glad to see her improving some.

Miss Simmie and Mr. M. A. Elliott, of Perruville, Va., are with their sister, Mrs. J. W. Fawcett, who has recently undergone a very serious operation, but whose condition is much improved now. She took a genuine case of the mumps Sunday morning.

Mr. H. W. Hefner and daughters, Misses Mary and Lella, Miss Belle Simmlin and her friend, Miss Agusta Sprott, of Spartanburg, who arrived yesterday, left this morning for St. Louis to attend the world's fair. Mr. Walter Waters was also a member of the party.

Conductor and Mrs. King and baby, of Lancaster, went to Blowing Rock yesterday morning.

Miss Eunice Williams, who has been spending a few days at Dr. T. S. Leitner's returned to Rock Hill yesterday morning.

Solicitor J. K. Henry went to Yorkville yesterday morning to take part in the court of general sessions which is being held in York this week.

W. H. Newbold, Esq., went to Yorkville yesterday morning to attend the court of general sessions which is in session there this week. He will return Wednesday afternoon.

The Band of Hope will meet Thursday afternoon at the A. R. P. church, at 5:30 o'clock. Mrs. S. E. Herbert, state organizer, will be present and address the society. The ladies and children of all denominations are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. N. J. Colvin was in town Saturday. He says that he is expecting a big crowd and a big time at the political gathering today at Colvin's Spring. He will have to look after selling refreshments, however, and will not be able to hear much of the speaking.

Heavy rains fell in many portions of the county Saturday afternoon. Mr. Eugene Gregory, from Carter's Box section, says that washing rains fell all around in that section. They have fine corn, cotton and watermelon crops. When Turkey creek subside they expect to catch a big amount of cat fish.

On last Saturday morning Mr. C. C. Edwards handed Mr. Jennie Groeschel two checks for \$5,000 each, the amount of the insurance on the life of her husband, Mr. Joseph Groeschel, written by Mr. Edwards. Mrs. Groeschel no doubt appreciates the promptness of Mr. Edwards in making the payment.

Miss Estelle Cornwell, of Baton Rouge, was in town yesterday. She was accompanied by Miss Fannie Sanders, of Olive, who was returning to her home at Olive from a visit to her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Wise at Baton Rouge. Both of these young ladies were expecting to attend the picnic at Colvin's spring today.

The Chester Plumbing and Heating company has opened up their new place in the valley next door to Mr. F. M. Nall's store. The advertiser was around last Friday and gave the company \$1,300 as the damage to the stock by the recent fire, the insurance on the entire stock being \$1,600.

Misses Esther and Mary Picton Lewis, who have been spending several months at Capt. E. P. Moore's, left Saturday afternoon for their home in Winchester, Va., in response to a telegram informing them of the serious illness of their sister, Miss Carter Penn Lewis. They were on an outing to Morganton, N. C., when they received the message.

Miss Annie Seabrook, who has been spending a few weeks at Mr. J. C. McKee's, accompanied by Miss Sadie and Master John McKee and their uncle, Mr. John H. McKee, left Tuesday night for the home of the former at Wadmalaw Island. McKee will return in three weeks. McKee's sister and her brother will spend the remainder of the summer there.

Mr. W. C. Minter was in town yesterday morning and he was telling about the storm in his neighborhood on Monday last week. Sam Keeler's house, on Mr. A. P. Wyllie's place, was struck by lightning, and one of the chimneys was right considerably shattered, no one being injured, however. Lightning also struck three or four different places in the cotton field on the same plantation.

Store Enticed.

When Mr. Robert Lindsey went to Lindsey Mercantile company's store Sabbath after preaching, he found the back door standing open. Some one had been in the store either the night previous or that morning. The back window had been forced open and entrance was made into the building. No goods of importance were missing, a few umbrellas, chewing gum and a few other articles being missed. The thief very evidently was after money, for he tried to force open both money tins, but failed. The safe was undisturbed. The Messrs. Lindsey have no idea who entered their store.

Fire Near Stover.

Mr. J. T. McDonald's dwelling house and meat house in which all his provisions were stored, in the Stover neighborhood, were consumed by fire last Friday about noon. The family were all at church at Hebron when the fire occurred. A young man who lives there discovered the fire in time to save a bureau and a few bed clothes, but nothing else was saved. The loss was total as he had no insurance.

A Week at the Cliffs.

Messrs. Ed Bosh, Ralph Horne and Lucius Nichols and DeWitt Bowen, of Atlanta, left this morning on the Carolina and North-Western for the Cliffs, where they will spend a week camping. They took their bedding, provisions and fishing tackle, and will amuse themselves by fishing, cooking and roasting over the hills and hollows. Mr. Hope Horne went to Gastonia yesterday morning. He will join the crowd there this morning and during their stay at the Cliffs he will act as chaperon for the boys.

Mules Killed by Lightning.

Mr. John McDonald suffered the misfortune Saturday afternoon of having two good seven-year old mules killed by lightning. The darkey, Adam Commodore, was returning home with the team from Chester when the cloud approached and the rain began to fall. As he was passing Jim Vance's on the Douglas place he took shelter in the house leaving the team standing by an out building a short distance away. Lightning struck the house, knocking off two beams and killing the mules. The mules were valued at about \$300. Every one sympathizes with Mr. McDonald in his misfortune. Fortunately, however, he was nearly through with his work.

The changing, which is at work near the Douglas place, came very nearly suffering an equal fate. When the storm came up all the convicts and guards were making for shelter, and were only about 70 yards from the house when the stroke came which killed Mr. McDonald's mules. Mr. W. H. McDill and 7 or 8 convicts were shocked. Mr. McDill was in town yesterday morning and said that he was certainly frightened after he thought how nearly all came being killed, and he has not altogether gotten over the fright and shock at that time.

Killing Near Edgemore.

Jim Dixon was shot and almost instantly killed at Harmony Methodist church, colored, near Edgemore, Saturday afternoon about six o'clock. The negroes of that community had come together to enjoy a picnic, and as is so often the case they left in a row. Dixon, who is said to have been a bully, a noted bird tiger, was promiscuously exhibiting his pistol, endeavoring to frighten the crowd. Robert McCorkle, who was acting as kind of peace marshal, went to Dixon and endeavored to pacify him, using the argument that he must needs be quiet, since he was on sacred grounds, but at this he took offense and began cursing, and at the same time bringing his pistol into play. Then a general fire opened upon Dixon, Robert and Mac McCorkle and Walls being the men who did the shooting. Dixon began to run when he perceived that fate was against him, but he soon reeled and fell. Three shots took effect, two in the leg near the same place. The other entered the left side passing through both lungs, lodged just under the skin on the right side. The bullets taking effect were from a .38 calibre pistol, and it seems that Walls was the only one using a pistol of that description.

Sheriff J. E. Cornwell deputized Mr. E. C. Collins to make arrests, and he brought Robert McCorkle Sunday afternoon and lodged him in jail. Mac McCorkle and Ed Walls have not yet been captured. Coroner J. Henry Gladstein held an Inquest Sunday afternoon with Mr. R. J. White as foreman of the jury, and Drs. Gaston and Keil holding the jury. The verdict was that the jury was that Jim Dixon came to his death by pistol shots at the hands of Robert and Mac McCorkle and Ed Walls.

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